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- 1. RE PARA 2 REFTEL THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION ADVISES THAT PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT IS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE CONGRESS. SSA BELIEVES THAT THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION COULD BE HELPFUL TO RESOLUTION OF THE ANTICIPATED DIFFICULTY WITH THE GOI RE NEW IRANIAN SOCIAL SECURITY LAW AND SEEKS INFORMATION TO ASSIST ITS SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT.
- 2. REQUEST YOU PROVIDE ASAP NAMES OF AMERICAN FIRMS THAT CAN BE EXPECTED TO EXPERIENCE SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES WITH NEW IRANIAN LAW. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU COULD ASK THOSE FIRMS TO FULLY BRIEF THEIR WASHINGTON REPRELIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SENTATIVES ON THE SUBJECT. IF THEY DO NOT HAVE WASHINGTON

REPRESENTATIVES, BUT HAVE HEAD OFFICE PERSONNEL THAT WOULD BE WILLING TO COME TO WASHINGTON TO CONFER WITH SSA AND, PERHAPS, TESTIFY BEFORE CONGRESS, THEY SHOULD BE REQUESTED TO BRIEF THEIR HEAD OFFICES.

3. SSA IS DISCUSSING ISSUE WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. WE RAISED POSSIBILITY OF ASSISTANCE FROM US SECTION OF IRAN-US JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL. WOULD BE INTERESTED IN EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT AS TO WHETHER JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL MIGHT PLAY ANY ROLE IN THIS MATTER OTHER THAN SIMPLY PROVIDING US MEMBERS TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE CONGRESS. KISSINGER

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